



Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries **Apprenticeship and Training Division, Portland Office**

Memo

DATE: November 16, 2011

TO: Apprenticeship Community and Interested Parties

FROM: Stephen Simms, Administrator, Oregon Apprenticeship and Training Division

REGARDING: Notice of Rulemaking Hearing, November 30, 2011, 10:30 am – 11:30, Portland State Office Building, Room 1B, 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland, Oregon

Apprenticeship Division Administrator Stephen Simms filed with the Secretary of State a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing on November 7, 2011 regarding proposed amendments to OAR 839-011-0001 – 839-011-0565 in order to conform Oregon's apprenticeship regulations to recently amended federal requirements.

The Oregon State Apprenticeship and Training Council ("Council") convened an Administrative Rules and Policy Task Force ("Task Force") to review proposed changes and to recommend amendments to its administrative rules to the Council for adoption. The Council has scheduled public hearings on the proposed rule amendments for November 30, 2011 from 10:30 am – 11:30 at the Portland State Office Building, Room 1B, 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland. The public is invited to attend these hearings and to submit written and oral comments to the proposed rule amendments.

The proposed amendments bring Oregon into conformance with federal requirements. Corrections in grammar and usage were also incorporated into these amendments. The proposed amendment harmonizes definitions in these rules with federal definitions and requirements.

The Division will send the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing on the proposed rule amendments to all persons and organizations listed on the Bureau's rules notice list and post the language of the proposed rules on the Bureau's web site at www.oregon.gov/boli. (Click on the "New/Proposed Rules" link.) In addition to being received at the Proposed Rulemaking Hearings, public comment pertaining to the proposed rule amendments may also be submitted in writing to the Bureau of Labor and Industries Rules Coordinator at the address indicated on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing until close of business at 5 pm on December 21, 2011. Final rules will be adopted thereafter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter or wish to be included on the Bureau's e-mail rules notice list, please e-mail Rules Coordinator Marcia Ohlemiller at marcia.l.ohlemiller@state.or.us or call her at 971-673-0784. If you have questions about the

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substance of the proposed rule amendments, please contact the Division Administrator at steve.simms@state.or.us.